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1. [] practically all public, military, and private vehicular traffic on the Amoy-Foochow Highway departed from one end of the highway at approximately 1930 hours each day and arrived at its destination at the other end of the highway at approximately 0300 hours on the following morning. Very few vehicles operated on this highway during the daylight hours because of the fear of attack []
2. [] three newly constructed ferry boats were in operation between the islands of Amoy (N 24-30, E 118-07) and Kulanghsu (N 24-27, E 118-04). Each boat had a capacity of 300 or more passengers. The fare was five fen per person.
3. [] cadre in Changchou (N 24-31, E 117-40) mentioned in the course of a general conversation that work on an irrigation project was being planned to begin [] in Chiangtungch'iao (3068/2639/2890). This cadre said the plans included the construction of an irrigation canal 58 li in length, and that it would have ten gates and pumping stations. He stated that when completed, this project would irrigate 50,000 mou of farmland within the Lungch'i (N 24-31, E 117-40) Hsien, T'ungan (N 24-44, E 118-09) Hsien, and Haich'ang (N 24-24, E 117-51) Hsien. It was additionally estimated that the crops of this area would be increased by approximately 2,500,000 catties per year. A drive had begun for laborers; registration for employment was underway in various districts.
4. The Chi Mei School (north of Amoy) had the third largest enrollment of overseas Chinese students of any school in the country. Overseas Chinese students at the school were required to pay only 10 yuan and 50 fen per month as board. The school took care of all other expenses.

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